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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION - RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action dated October 1, 2002, which imposed a restriction requirement.

In response thereto, Applicants elect Group 1, claims 1, and 3-7, drawn to a method to reduce injury to whales. This election is without traverse.

In response to the election of species requirement, Applicants elect Species expressed in claims 1 and 3-7, shown in fig. 2.